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## **AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 23, 2007

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.